

FEDERATION CONVENTION

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19, 1906, President Roosevelt issued the following executive order.

1. All departments of the government under the supervision of which public works are being constructed are hereby directed to notify the representatives stationed at such public works to report at once to their respective departments all cases in which contractors or sub-contractors on works now under construction have required or permitted laborers or mechanics in their employ to work over eight hours in any one calendar day.

2. All Government representatives in charge of construction of public works are further directed that it is part of their duty to report to their respective departments each and every case in which laborers or mechanics are required or permitted to work over eight hours a day on the works under supervision of such Government representatives.

3. All departments of the Government under the supervision of which public works are being constructed by contract are further directed to have their respective legal officers prepare and forward to the President a list of such statutes and executive orders as have a direct bearing on contracts for the construction of public works, and with which bidders on such works should be made acquainted.

And I am pleased to report that Mr. John L. Hargrove, another Special Agent of the Bureau of Labor from Washington, D. C., was in our city December 23, 1906, and he reported to me that he had been at Celilo and found that the Eight Hour Law was being rigidly enforced.

On July 22, 1906, President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, sent out a circular letter to all state federations, central bodies and local unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, outlining a plan of action.

Your executive board believing in the policy as outlined by Gompers and the Executive Board of the American Federation of Labor, on October 1, 1906, sent out a circular letter to all the unions in the state calling attention to the circular of the American Federation of Labor, and suggesting to the unions that they give the two following questions a careful and thorough discussion on the floor of their meetings, and to notify the Secretary of the State Federation of the result of the vote as soon as possible:

1. "Do we want to take part in the political issues of the day, and shall we so instruct our delegates to the next convention of the Oregon State Federation of Labor?"

While the Secretary has received several replies to the above questions, it is not sufficient to form a definite opinion as to the wishes of the union men in the state on this matter, so for that reason I would suggest that before the business of this convention is concluded, the question be taken up and discussed in order to determine, if possible, what policy the State Federation shall pursue in coming political campaigns, and as a guidance to your incoming executive board.

The Labor Press is the only newspaper in the state devoted to the cause of labor, and I am sorry that it is not better patronized by the union men of this state.

Executive board that they became the agents of the Labor Press in their some cities in order to give the paper greater financial as well as moral support, as in my opinion it is the best medium through which the union men can exchange ideas and discuss the various economic and political questions.

In conclusion I wish to thank my colleagues on the Executive Board for their advice and co-operation in all matters pertaining to the welfare of the State Federation. The work of the past year as far as I am personally concerned, was given my best and earnest efforts in a desire to produce the best results and to build up the Federation.

I wish to extend my sincere thanks to all the unions in the state for the high honor they have conferred upon me in electing me President of the State Federation for three consecutive terms—may we continue to work together for the upbuilding of our movement; and that this movement will march on with increasing honor and success is the wish of

Yours fraternally, C. H. GRAM, President Oregon State Federation of Labor.

The report of the President was listened to with the closest attention by the convention. It is an able review of the labor movement in Oregon during the interim since the previous convention. The work accomplished mainly through the untiring efforts of President Gram redounds very much to the credit of that official and bespeaks lasting importance for the organization.

The Secretary-treasurers' report was read and showed a balance in the treasury of \$117.07. While the cash on hand does not show a large fund, it proves sufficient for the carrying on of the work of the organization.

In the report of Fraternal Delegate Sage he recommended the abolition of the custom of sending a representative to Washington State Federation conventions on the grounds that insufficient results were obtained in consideration of the expense incurred, but suggested the appointment, by the executive board, of organizers in each section for the purpose of gathering statistics and carrying on the work of organization.

Judge Lionel R. Webster was then introduced, and delivered an excellent address on the status of labor in this state. The Judge devoted considerable attention to the discussion of the proposed Convict Labor Bill, explaining fully the object of the measure and strongly appealing to the working people to support the bill.

Judge Webster is a very forceful speaker, and his address was listened to with the keenest appreciation.

Enthusiastic applause followed the speaker's closing remarks. (Continued next week.)

Chicago's policemen are to be unionized and affiliated with the American Federation of Labor. A high Chicago official of the Federation says the organization will be completed soon.

Since the arbitration act came into operation in 1895 the number of factories in New Zealand has increased by 5,772, and the factory workers by 40,524.

The South Australian Premier, Tom Price, who is a stone mason by trade, marched with his union in the recent Adelaide Eight Hour procession.

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Trade Union Directory

Following will be found a directory of Portland unions, giving the name, time and place of meeting, and wherever possible for the Labor Press to ascertain the name and address of the secretary.

SUNDAY. Single Weavers' Union No. 88—Every Sunday, 2 p. m., Fulton. Photo Engravers' Union—Eleven o'clock first Sunday, Room 214, Goodnough Building, Geo. Handley, Oregonian.

MONDAY. Building Laborers—Every Monday evening, Sargent's Hall, 144 1/2 Alder street. M. J. Conroy, 244 1/2 Alder.

TUESDAY. Blacksmiths and Helpers Union—Every second and fourth Tuesday, Drew Hall. Bartenders' Local 89—Every first and third Tuesday afternoon, Bartenders' Hall, 244 1/2 Alder.

WEDNESDAY. Allied Printing Trades Council—Second Wednesday evening, 214 Goodnough Building. Bricklayers' Union—Every Wednesday evening, Arion Hall, 224 1/2 Yamhill, Chas. Kloker, Box 328.

THURSDAY. Barbers—Second and fourth Thursday evening, 162 Second. T. M. Leabo, secretary, 167 1/2 First, phone, Pacific 1501.

FRIDAY. Building Trades Alliance—Friday night, 86 Tenth. Carpenters' Local 8—Friday evening, 220 1/2 Yamhill. H. C. Brown, 453 Florence.

SATURDAY. Bakery and Confectionery Workers, Local 114—First and third Saturdays, 6 o'clock P. M., 224 1/2 Yamhill. A. Dupuis, 293 Burnside.

SUNDAY. Beer Drivers and Bottlers—First and third Sunday evening, Drew Hall. G. C. Goldberger, 811 Kelley.

BRIDGE AND STRUCTURAL IRON WORKERS—Saturday evening, 224 1/2 Yamhill, Arion Hall, Otto Kulkka, box 171.

STATIONARY FIREMEN—First and third Sunday evening, Musicians' Hall, 227 Chamber of Commerce, J. J. O'Brien, 584 Pottersgrove.

LONGSHOREMEN, LOCAL 264—At call of Ken. Hibernian Hall, Second and Third, Hugh Pritch, 27 N. Front.

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